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ARKANSAS BROILER PLACEMENTS DOWN 5 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

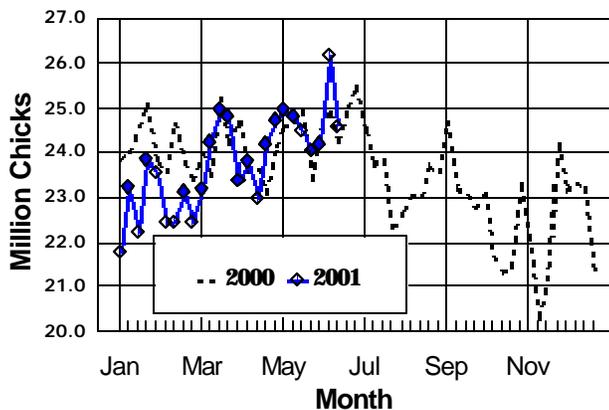
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in **Arkansas** was 24.6 million during the week ending June 23, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were down 5 percent from the comparable week in 2000 and 6 percent below the previous week, and included 2.5 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000, through June 23, 2001 were 595.2 million, 3 percent below a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 25.7 million, down slightly from both the corresponding week a year earlier, and the previous week. Of the total hatch, 3.0 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83.3 percent.

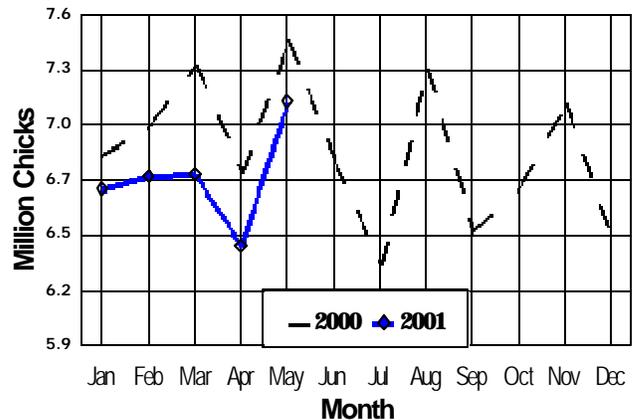
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 30.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending June 23, 2001, up slightly from the same period last year, but 1 percent below the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **UNITED STATES** placed 7.1 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2001, down 4 percent from May 2000.

**ARKANSAS BROILER CHICK PLACEMENTS
BY WEEK, 2000 - 2001**



**U.S. BROILER-TYPE PULLET CHICKS PLACED
FOR DOMESTIC HATCHERY SUPPLY FLOCKS**



NET PLACEMENTS IN ARKANSAS

Week Ending	Year		% Change
	2000	2001	
	1,000		
May 19	25,155	24,859	99
May 26	24,103	24,501	102
Jun. 2	24,562	24,050	98
Jun. 9	24,940	24,206	97
Jun. 16	24,286	26,194	108
Jun. 23	25,775	24,594	95

U.S. PULLET CHICKS PLACED

Month	Year		% Change
	2000	2001	
	1,000		
Dec.	6,999*	6,429*	92
Jan.	6,861	6,685	97
Feb.	7,001	6,748	96
Mar.	7,310	6,752	92
Apr.	6,764	6,398	95
May	7,435	7,117	94

* Dec Previous Year.

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BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2001

STATE	EGGS SET (in Thousands)					CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)						
	Week Ending				1/ %	Week Ending						
	02-Jun	09-Jun	16-Jun	23-Jun		19-May	26-May	02-Jun	09-Jun	16-Jun	23-Jun	1/ %
Alabama	29,875 *	29,393	29,637	28,784	105	21,969	21,682	22,516 *	22,512	22,394	22,913	106
ARKANSAS	30,900	30,740	30,578	30,126	100	24,859	24,501	24,050	24,206	26,194	24,594	95
Delaware	3,543	3,454	3,589 *	3,450	79	4,428	4,029	5,135	5,787	4,950 *	5,442	105
Florida	2,431	2,367	2,433	2,246	79	2,390	2,195	2,484	2,451	2,486	2,199	90
Georgia	32,460	32,530	32,395 *	31,203	104	26,133	25,377	26,140	25,358	25,797 *	26,242	104
Maryland	8,752	8,865	8,668 *	8,914	97	6,315	6,387	5,739	5,025	5,611 *	5,131	90
Mississippi	19,107	19,065	19,016	18,563	107	15,145	15,754	15,861	15,918	15,950	15,800	100
N. Carolina	18,038 *	17,938	17,082	17,886	98	14,892	14,636	15,123	14,226	14,243	14,596	99
Pennsylvania	3,740 *	3,833 *	3,925 *	3,796	100	2,658 *	2,775 *	2,713 *	2,769 *	2,642 *	2,696	96
S. Carolina	4,963	4,983	5,008	4,702	96	3,967	4,216	3,653	4,296	4,475	3,746	98
Texas	14,815	14,769	14,833	14,836	103	12,181	12,131	12,225	12,069	12,125	11,859	105
Virginia	6,784	6,626	6,803	6,506	100	5,031	5,365	5,152	5,541	5,353	5,539	96
CA TN & W VA	11,690	11,669	11,383 *	11,584	102	9,874	10,168	9,862	10,827	11,009 *	10,669	104
Total 2001	187,098 *	186,232 *	185,350 *	182,596		149,842 *	149,216 *	150,653 *	150,985 *	153,229 *	151,426	
Total 2000	186,505	185,844	183,276	180,334		149,857	148,402	149,543	148,957	148,434	150,449	
% PREV. YEAR	100	100	101	101		100	101	101	101	103	101	
APPROXIMATE MARKETING DATE 2001.....						07-Jul	14-Jul	21-Jul	28-Jul	04-Aug	11-Aug	

* Revised . 1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

* Kentucky	5,682	5,040	5,678	5,863	****	4,223	4,143	4,516	4,019	4,550 *	4,583	****
* Oklahoma	6,192	6,315	6,168	6,105	****	4,779	4,408	4,171	4,897	4,293	4,987	****
* LA & MO	8,725	8,952	8,843	8,241	****	8,491	8,760	9,547	9,669	9,472	8,431	****
19 State Total	207,697 *	206,539 *	206,039 *	202,805		167,335 *	166,527 *	168,887 *	169,570 *	171,544 *	169,427	

* Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP 1 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 183 million eggs during the week ending June 23, 2001. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 151 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 23, 2001. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through June 23, 2001 were 3.68 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.